

Ukraine as new cradle for military technologies

Ukrainian mil-tech landscape

- War provided a boost to repurposing civil technologies to military
- A lot of IT talent works pro bono to help the military, which generates new technologies as a side product
- Real-time battlefield testing provides unique feedback - very accurate and swift

Main areas

- Drones and unmanned vehicles (software and hardware)
- Air defence
- Missiles and ammunition
- Data processing

Main challenges

- Lack of financing
- Lack of centralisation (each team does independent R&D, which often duplicates)
- No access to existing technologies to build upon further research
- Lack of integration with Western command systems and equipment

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